

Mr. LUTHER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of family matters.

Mr. MCNULTY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 2:30 p.m. on account of personal reasons.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WU) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WU, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SKELTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SANDERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. SHIMKUS, for 5 minutes, today.  
Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bills and a joint resolution of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 494. An act to provide for a transition to democracy and to promote economic recovery in Zimbabwe.

S. 1196. An act to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 26. A joint resolution providing for the appointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

#### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on December 13, 2001 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills.

H.R. 10. To modernize the financing of the railroad retirement system and to provide

enhanced benefits to employees and beneficiaries.

H.R. 2540. To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of such veterans.

H.R. 2716. To amend title 38, United States Code, to revise, improve, and consolidate provisions of law providing benefits and services for homeless veterans.

H.R. 2944. Making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. TANCREDO. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 54 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, December 17, 2001, at 2 p.m.